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**AMENDMENT**

Entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks in response to  
the Official Action of January 23, 2003, and in conjunction with the attached Petition  
Under Rule 137(b), are requested. The requisite petition fee is attached.

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**RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☐ **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.****Fees are attached as calculated below:**

Total effective claims after amendment 79 minus highest number  
previously paid for 24 (at least 20) = 55 x \$ 18.00 \$ 990.00

Independent claims after amendment 5 minus highest number  
previously paid for 6 (at least 3) = 0 x \$ 84.00 \$ 0.00

If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore improper) \$ 0.00

Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$410.00/2 months; \$930.00/3 months) \$ 0.00

Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 \$ 0.00

☐ First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$750.00) \$ 0.00

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☐ Submission attached

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☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00) \$ 0.00

Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00) \$ 0.00

Other: Petition Under Rule 137(b); Amendment; Information Disclosure Statement; PTO-1449 Form; 1300.00  
Copies of three cited references

**TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$ 2290.00**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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